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SIERRA SUMMER FESTIVAL

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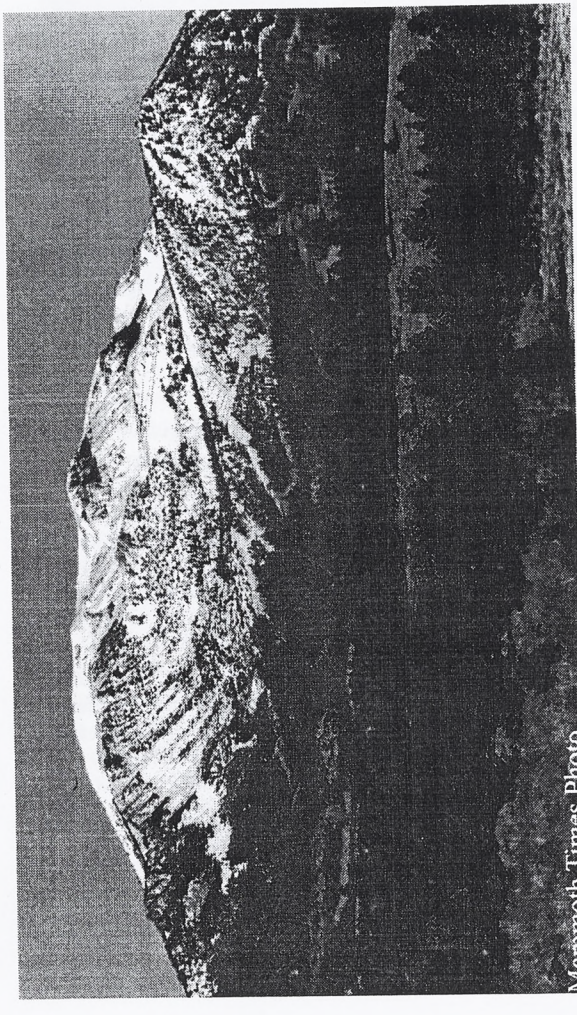

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The Felici Piano Trio

Acclaimed as "A True Trio Con Brio", the critics praise Felici's "....first class chamber music making", and tremendous joy in music". Over eight consecutive summers, the ensemble has performed more than 100 concerts in Germany, has appeared on 3SAT and ZDF Television and recorded for German Southwest Radio (SWF). Showcased by *Chamber Music America,* the trio recently appeared in New York, Tampa, FL, and Pittsburgh, PA. In 2000, they performed Beethoven's *Triple Concerto* with the Eastern Sierra Symphony. Their debut CD contains trios by Louise Farrenc, Fanny Hensel, and Amy Beach.

Jason Bednarz

Pianist ***Jason Bednarz*** comes from Ann Arbor, MI, where he earned his Bachelors degree at the University of Michigan. He holds Masters degrees from Rice University and the *Hochschule Musik* in Freiburg, Germany. In 1990 Jason won the Concerto Competition at Murray State University, and was a finalist in the National Young Keyboard Artists and the 1997 Fischoff Chamber Music Competition.

Rebecca Hang

German violinist ***Rebecca Hang*** studied with professor Chaim Taub in Tel-Aviv, Israel, and later at Indiana University, where she received her Bachelors and Masters degrees in Violin Performance. She has taken prizes in the MTNA, Coleman and Osaka chamber music competitions and in 1994 made her New York debut, playing Mozart's *Sinfonia Concertante* at Lincoln Center.

Brian Scbuldt,

Brian Scbuldt, a native of Seattle, earned his Bachelors and Masters degrees in Cello Performance at Indiana University, where he studied with Tsuyoshi Tsutsumi and Janos Starker. He has been awarded top prizes in the Washington State Solo Competition, the Yellow Springs International Chamber Music Competition, and the Kuttner String Quartet Competition at Indiana University. Brian has been director of SCEW since 2000.

The Eastern Sierra Symphony Orchestra

Bogidar Avramov, Director

Bogidar Avramov is music director of the Beverly Hills Symphony Orchestra and Professor Emeritus of Music at Loyola Marymount University. He also guest-conducts frequently in Europe. As a founder of the Eastern Sierra Summer Festival, he has brought classical music to the Eastern Sierra since the 1970's

Maria Newman

Maria Newman, violinist and violist, received her education at the Eastman School of Music and Yale University where she graduated with high honors. She made the world premiere recording of Miklós Rózsa's *Viola Concerto* with the Nurnberg Symphony, on the Grammy-Award-winning *Symphonic Hollywood* CD. Ms. Newman is a founding member of the award winning Viklarbo Chamber Ensemble with whom she tours and presents master classes. She is also a talented composer—winning two ASCAP awards and two 1994 Composers Guild awards plus many others. She has been Composer-in-Residence with The Icicle Creek Music Center in Leavenworth, Washington.

Susan Jensen

Violinist Susan Jensen received a Bachelor of Music from the Cincinnati College Conservatory of Music and then earned her Masters of Music at the University of Southern California. She is an active chamber musician and recitalist in the Los Angeles area. In the fall of 1995 she performed the complete cycle of Beethoven's String Quartets with the Southwest String Quartet.

Shawn Mann

Since receiving a Bachelor's degree from Eastman School of Music and a Master's degree from U. S. C., violist Shawn Mann has been an active chamber and studio musician in the Los Angeles area. His positions include associate principal of the Long Beach Symphony, and membership in the L. A. Music Center Opera Orchestra and the New West Symphony Orchestra.

Leighton Fong

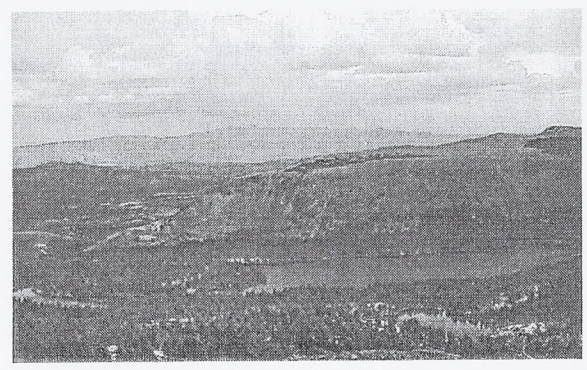
Leighton Fong, cellist, is a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music and received a Masters degree from the San Francisco Conservatory of Music. He studied at the Bern and Royal Danish Conservatories on grants from the Beebe and American-Scandinavian Foundations. He was at Tanglewood for the 1983 and 1984 seasons.

David T. Bartolotta

David T. Bartolotta earned his undergraduate degree in piano accompaniment with a double major in bassoon, studying with John Kitts at Jacksonville University, in Jacksonville, Florida. After performing with the Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra for 2 years, Mr. Bartolotta came to San Francisco via the Navy Band, playing piccolo, flute, clarinet, saxophone, bassoon and piano. Mr. Bartolotta has held the position of bassoon-contra-bassoon with the San Francisco Ballet Orchestra for the past 22 seasons.

Steve Durnin

Born and raised in the Los Angeles area, Steve Durnin, horn player has been a sought after free-lance artist since his return in 1981, from two years contracted service with the Orquesta Sinfónica de Veracruz, in the city of Veracruz Mexico. The performance aspects of his career have included orchestral, chamber, recording and solo performances.



On Friday, August 10 & Saturday August 11, 2001, the Sierra Summer Festival will feature the University of Bonn Choir in collaboration with the Eastern Sierra Symphony Orchestra. Joining them will be guest vocal soloists from the Los Angeles area.

Under the baton of Sierra Summer Festival co-founder and conductor Bogidar Avramov, this renowned German choir, along with the Eastern Sierra Symphony Orchestra, will present ***"Beethoven's Symphony No 9 (choral)***. This concert is entitled ***"Beethoven's 9th at 9,000 feet".***

As Bonn, Germany, is the birthplace of Beethoven and with the international reputation of the Bonn choir, this event will be a magical evening of music at 9,000 feet for all who attend.

The Sierra Summer Festival's origins began in the late 1970's. The Eastern Sierra Symphony Orchestra began in 1982 as a small ensemble of local musicians. Over the last two decades the orchestra has grown to a full size symphony orchestra, with musical talent from Inyo, Mono and Kern counties. The orchestra also includes talented professional coaches from the Los Angeles and San Francisco bay areas.

Hailed by the L.A. Times as, " a leader of uncommon sensitivity and authority," Maestro Avramov is music director of the Beverly Hills Symphony and professor emeritus of music at Loyola Marymount University.

"We are ready to face the loftiest challenges. I see this summer's performance of the mighty 9th as a major artistic undertaking.
This event shall make a lasting contribution to the cultural growth of our community" ~ Maestro Avramov~

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Package # 1 Chamber & Choir

Value $60	**Donation $45**
Felici Trio	Wednesday, August 1
Corigliano Quartet	Friday, August 3
Arcadian Chamber Players	Saturday, August 4
Bonn Univ. Choir	Tuesday, August 7
Orchestra Chamber Groups	Thursday, August 9

Package # 2 Music Lover

Value $105	**Donation $65**
Felici Trio	Wednesday, August 1
Corigliano Quartet	Friday, August 3
Arcadian Chamber Players	Saturday, August 4
Bonn Univ. Choir	Tuesday, August 7
Orchestra Chamber Groups	Thursday, August 9
Beethoven Symphony No. 9	Saturday, August 11

Package # 3 Music Lover & Candlelight Dinner

Value $155	**Donation $115**
Felici Trio	Wednesday, August 1
Corigliano Quartet	Friday, August 3
Arcadian Chamber Players	Saturday, August 4
Bonn Univ. Choir	Tuesday, August 7
Orchestra Chamber Groups	Thursday, August 9
Beethoven Symphony No. 9	Friday, August 10
Pre Concert Candlelight Dinner	Friday, August 10

Package # 4 Beethoven & Chamber Groups

Value $45	**Donation $25**
Orchestra Chamber Groups	Thursday, August 9
Beethoven Symphony No. 9	Saturday, August 11

Package # 5 Beethoven & Candlelight Dinner

Value $95	**Donation $75**
Orchestra Chamber Groups	Thursday, August 9
Beethoven Symphony No. 9	Friday, August 10
Pre Concert Dinner	Friday, August 10

Package # 6 The Whole Festival

Value $285	**Donation $245**
Admission to All Festival Events	
Framed Sierra Summer Festival Poster	
Pre Concert Dinner	Friday, August 10

Package # 7 Super Couple

Value $515	**Donation $365**
Admission to All Festival Events For Two	
Framed Sierra Summer Festival Poster (One)	
Pre Concert Dinner for two	Friday, August 10

Chamber Music Programs

Felici Piano Trio
Wednesday, August 1, 2001 7:30 PM
St. Joseph's Church

Happiness is... to play chamber music! Hear the internationally acclaimed Felici Piano Trio, resident ensemble with the Mono County Arts Council, perform works by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Felix Mendelssohn and Dmitry Shostakovich.

The **Felici Piano Trio** was founded in 1994 on Indiana University's renowned school of music in Bloomington. Its members are internationally experienced instrumentalists, prize winners of numerous competitions and dedicated chamber musicians.

Acclaimed as "A True Trio Con Brio", the critics praise Felici's "...first class chamber music making," and "....tremendous joy in music."

During the past three years Felici's residency in Mono County has been supported by a grant from Chamber Music America.

The Corigliano String Quartet
Friday, August 3, 2001 7:30 PM
St. Joseph's Church

The Corigliano String Quartet, Quartet-in-Residence at the Juilliard School, has won top prizes in the Yellow Springs and Fischoff competitions and has appeared at Carnegie Hall and the Kennedy Center. Works by Ludwig van Beethoven, Antonin Dvorak and John Corigliano

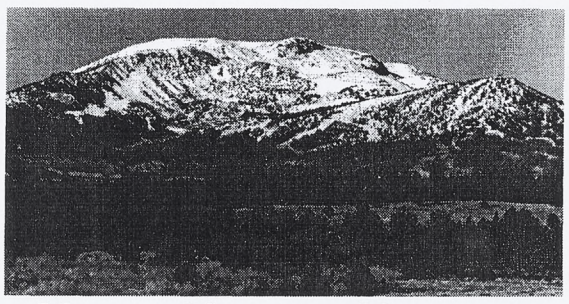
The **Corigliano String Quartet** was founded in 1996 at Indiana University and has since become one of the nation's outstanding young ensembles. The quartet recently won top prizes in the Fischoff and Yellow Springs competitions, and has performed at Carnegie Hall, Weill Recital Hall and the Kennedy Center. They have toured extensively in the U.S. and abroad to critical acclaim. Corigliano is under management with MCM.

The Arcadian Chamber Players
Saturday, August 4, 2001 7:30 PM
St. Joseph's Church

The Arcadian Chamber Players consists of musicians from leading ensembles and orchestras throughout the country. Come hear this virtuosic chamber orchestra perform favorites by George Frideric Handel, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Edward Elgar and Peter Ilich Tchaikovsky

Special Performance of the University of Bonn Choir
Tuesday August 7, 2001 7:30 PM
St. Joseph's Church

Chamber Groups from the Eastern Sierra Symphony Orchestra
Thursday, August 9, 2001 7:30 PM
St. Joseph's Church



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Events

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The Corigliano String Quartet St Joseph's Catholic Church	Friday August 3, 7:30 pm Donation $15
The Arcadian Chamber Players St Joseph's Catholic Church	Saturday, August 4, 7:30 pm Donation $15
Bonn University Choir St Joseph's Catholic Church	Tuesday, August 7, 7:30 pm Donation $15
Orchestra Chamber Groups St. Joseph's Catholic Church	Thursday, August 9, 7:30pm (Complimentary)

Beethoven Symphony Number Nine
Eastern Sierra Symphony Orchestra, Bonn University Choir
Bogidar Avramov Conducting
Old Gondola Room, Mammoth Mountain Main Lodge
Friday August 10 and Saturday, August 11, 8:00pm
Donation $45

Pre-Concert Gala Dinner by Candlelight
(Black Tie Optional)
Friday, August 10, 5:30 pm
Donation $50 per person

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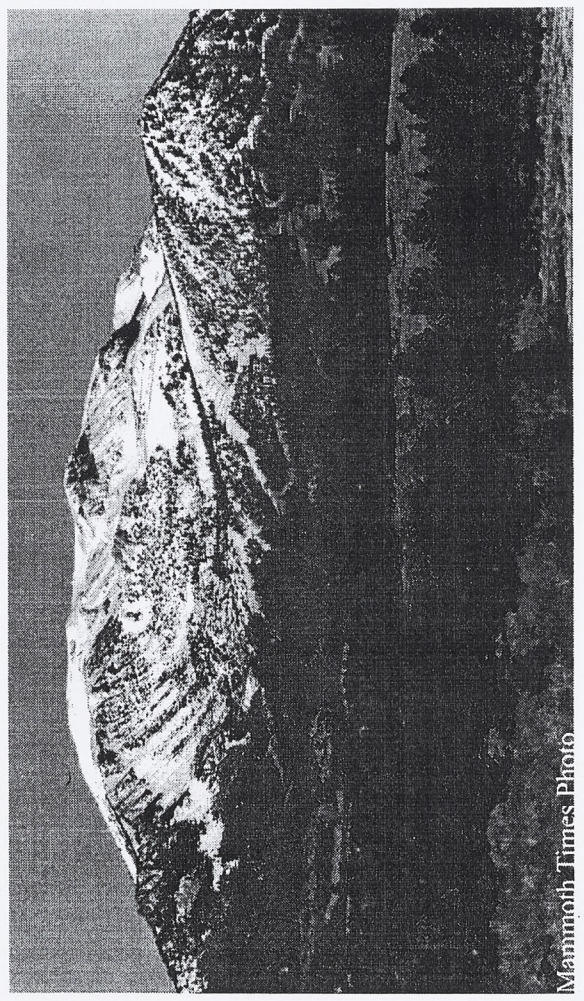

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